Proposal to have a strong Power Regulator

96. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that Government is thinking of having a strong power regulator;

(b) what are the functions that are going to be handled by the regulator apart from tariff fixation and issuing licence;

(c) whether any consultations have been held in this regard with the stakeholders; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) The functions of the Electricity Regulatory Commission have been laid down in the Electricity Act, 2003. There is no proposal for any change in this regard.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Supply of Power to Andhra Pradesh from Central PUs

97. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the actual requirement and supply of power for Andhra Pradesh from Central Public Undertakings;

(b) the names of undertakings from which power is being distributed to Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether Andhra Pradesh has requested for additional quota of power to meet the increasing demand in the State; and